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CNA Charged with Financial Exploitation of Dependent Adults

DES MOINES, IOWA (December 15, 2004) – Robin Lynn Oaxaca, 41, of Tama was recently charged in Tama County District Court with seven class “D” felonies for incidents related to financial exploitation of dependent adults. The events leading to these charges are alleged to have occurred in December 2001 and January 2002, when Oaxaca was employed as a Certified Nurse Aide at Grandview Acres—a licensed nursing facility in Toledo.

Oaxaca stands charged with victimizing three different residents of Grandview Acres. She is alleged to have taken blank checks from the rooms of the residents and then negotiating the instruments by engaging in deceptive acts, including forgery. The first six counts of the charges relate to six different checks drawn on the accounts of three Grandview Acres residents. All of the checks exceeded one hundred dollars.

The checks involved in this scheme were presented to two different businesses in the Tama County area. The seventh count in the charging document alleges that the Pamida store in Toledo was further victimized by Oaxaca. This victimization resulted by Oaxaca and members of her family obtaining cash refunds by returning some of the merchandise that had initially been obtained with the forged instruments.

The charges resulted from an investigation conducted by the Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals’ (DIA) Health Facilities Division and Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, the Toledo Police Department, and the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation. The Tama County Attorney has requested that an assistant from the office of the Iowa Attorney General conduct this prosecution. A class “D” felony in Iowa is punishable by up to five years imprisonment and a fine of up to \$7,500.